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Co-Chairs Mike Lowry and Lois North
Charter Review Commission
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Mr. Lowry and Ms. North,

The Sierra Club's Cascade Chapter wishes to express its wholehearted support for the proposed Open Space Amendment (OSA) to the King County Charter. The OSA complements the Cascade Chapter's conservation priorities which include: (1) Preventing sprawl; (2) Keeping our air and water clean; (3) Combating climate change; and (4) Protecting wildlife and forests in Washington state.

We believe the OSA and its list of protected properties represent a strong progressive step in leaving an enduring legacy to our children and their children.

Please express our thanks to the entire Charter Review Commission for their dedication and hard work.

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cc: King County Executive Sims
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